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## MIAMISBURG MAN SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS IMPRISONMENT IN PRESCRIPTION DRUG DISTRIBUTION SCHEME

## Numerous guns seized and drug deals occurred near a school

DAYTON – Colburn Kinzer, age 63, of Miamisburg, Ohio, was sentenced in United States District Court to sixty months imprisonment for his role in a drug scheme involving the sale of prescription medications in Ohio and Kentucky.

Gregory G. Lockhart, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio, Christopher P. Sadowski, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (ATF), David Williams, Task Force Director, Ohio Organized Criminal Investigations Commission (OOCIC), and Chief John Sedlak, Miamisburg Police Department, announced the sentence delivered by District Judge Walter H. Rice today.

Kinzer pleaded guilty in April to one count of distribution of Oxycodone near a school, two counts of distribution of Vicodin, two counts of distribution of Oxycodone, and one count of possession of a firearm by a convicted felon. According to the statement of facts filed in court, Kinzer admitted to distributing Oxycodone within 1000 feet of Franklin Junior High School in Franklin, Ohio, in October, 2007. Kinzer also sold multiple prescription medications to undercover agents and officers in the Dayton area and in Kentucky between August and November, 2007 as revealed in the statement of facts.

Federal agents and local police officers executed a search warrant at Kinzer's Miamisburg home in December, 2007, where they recovered more than 500 prescription pills, including Methodone, Oxycontin, Vicodin, Xanax, Clonazepam and Valium. Three guns were also seized, including a .380 caliber semiautomatic pistol, a .22 caliber rifle and a .22 caliber revolver. Kinzer's prior felony conviction in 1999 for burglary in Warren County, Ohio prohibited him from ever possessing firearms.

Upon his release from prison, Kinzer will be required to serve six years of supervised release, a form of parole. Kinzer was also ordered to forfeit to the United States more than \$33,000 for his crimes.

"In the right hands, prescription medicines can help heal," Lockhart said. "But when used to commit a crime, especially near a school, they become poison to a community."

United States Attorney Lockhart commended the efforts of the ATF and OOCIC agents and the Miamisburg Police officers for their investigation of the case, and Assistant United States Attorney Andrew Hunt, who prosecuted the case.

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